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Docket No.: 0142-0407P

MS PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c).

Inventor(s): HAAN, Maurice Johan Jozef and
PINCKAERS, Mark Pieter Jozef

For: INK TANK

Enclosed are:

- ☒ A specification consisting of Eighteen (18) pages
- ☒ Four (4) sheet(s) of formal drawings
- ☐ Applicant does not claim priority
- ☒ Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No(s). 02077779.3 filed in EPO on June 28, 2002.
 - ☒ Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.
 - ☐ Certified copy(ies) will follow.

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- ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line thereof the following:
- a. ☐ --This nonprovisional application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a) on Patent Application No(s).
filed in _____ on _____, which is(are) herein incorporated by reference.--
- b. ☐ --This nonprovisional application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) on U.S. Provisional Application No(s).
filed on _____, which is(are) herein incorporated by reference.--
- ☒ Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☐ Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)
- ☒ Other: European Search Report
- ☐ Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee
- ☐ Non-publication Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i)

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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BASIC FEE			\$750.00	\$375.00
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TOTAL			\$750.00	\$0.00

- ☒ The application transmitted herewith is filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c). The undersigned has been authorized by the inventor(s) to file the present application. The original duly executed declaration together with the surcharge will be forwarded in due course.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$750.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this transmittal form is enclosed.
- ☒ Please send correspondence to:
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Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

Under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 119 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(a), the applicant(s) hereby claim(s) the right of priority based on the following application(s):

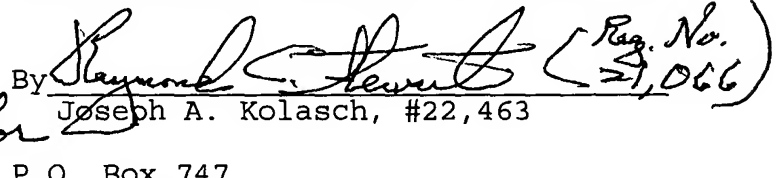
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EUROPE	02077779.3	June 28, 2002

A certified copy of the above-noted application(s) is(are) attached hereto.

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